

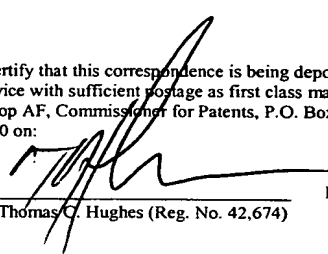
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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

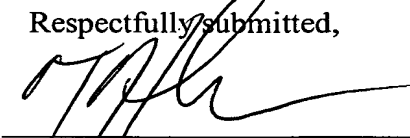
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In response to the Advisory Action of mailed January 22, 2007, transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

The Advisory Action mailed January 22, 2007 set a two-month period of time from December 26, 2006 (filing date of Notice of Appeal) for responding. The two-month period of time for responding expired on February 26, 2007. Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time for responding to the Advisory Action.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the small entity one-month extension fee of \$60.00 to Kenyon & Kenyon LLP Deposit Account No. 11-0600. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any other fee that may be required or credit any overpayment to Kenyon & Kenyon LLP Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

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